

HEROES FOR THE FUTURE.

North American Indian Rival to the
Noblest Roman of Old.

Distance and enchantment are still traveling together just as they always did. Out here in the West we enjoy few amusements better than poking fun at the Indians, calling them "cultus Siwashas," and wondering why Uncle Sam persists in interfering when the settlers of Wyoming turn out and shoot a few of them to keep times from becoming too monotonous. After that we go to the library and take down a volume of Gibbon or Macaulay to read about the ancient Romans and heave a few comfortable sighs for the degeneracy of the race.

And yet there is reason to believe that 200 years hence the wise historians of the twenty-first century will find any amount of pleasure in comparing the characters of the noble Romans with those of our own despised aborigines, and there is also reason to believe that the race of Brutus and Sulla will not come out the winner by very many points.

Take, for example, Chief Lot of the Spokanes, who is visiting the city this week—a little, lean, modest, shriveled old fellow, with a feeble gray beard straggling out at intervals below a mouth that has been overdeveloped by sixty years of foolish, good-natured grins. Yet, when it comes to plain common sense, true patriotism, persistent honesty and unflinching fidelity to duty, this quaint old veteran can match records with the best men who ever climbed the Capitoline hill.

One little instance: A day came when Lot's favorite son wronged a neighbor. The injured man demanded justice and called upon Lot as chief of the tribe to avenge his wrongs. Other Spokanes laughed at the idea of calling on the father to even censure his favorite before the tribe. But when they were all assembled at the trial the old chief rose up and spoke:

"I am your father—father to all the Spokanes—father to this boy most of all. But they have made me judge. When I am judge I am father to no one. I am nothing but a judge. He shall take his punishment."

It might have sounded more impressive in Latin than in Chinook, but did ever a Roman utter a better sentiment? Or would any Roman, placed in Lot's position, have borne his honors so modestly as this old copperface, casting aside every ambition except to teach his people industry and honesty; maintaining the closest friendship at all times with an aggressive rival race; asking first for comfortable houses for his subjects and second for a school for their children, and making a reputation for keeping his word that would be known for 100 miles around?—*Spokane Chronicle.*

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